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Circle Magazine

THE SALT AND SAGE IS A MAGAZINE COMMITTED TO BUILDING A
COMMUNITY OF GAY SPIRIT, AND PROVIDING A NETWORK OF SUPPORT TO
EXPLORE, LEARN AND PRACTICE PAGAN RITUAL.

FAERIE LORE & TRADITIONS



DO AS YE WILT AND HARM NONE

FAERIES respect all living creatures.

FAERIES respect the Mother Earth, walking lightly upon her, doing little to upset her intricate circle of life.

FAERIES respect the Power (Great Spirit) which creates galaxies, DNA, and Billions of terrestrial life forms.

FAERIES respect the Law of Karma

FAERIES know that true MAGICK is LOVE.

FIVE TENETS OF SACRED FAERIES

1. Equality of the sexes is acknowledged through timely rituals linked to the Moon and Sun,
2. The Earth is our Mother and we must take care of Her
3. We are re-incarnating essences in an endless cycle of birth, death, and rebirth
4. Magick is used for life affirming purposes only and must be in harmony with the laws of nature and the psyche
5. Missionary and conversion tactics are taboo. Faeries are attracted by the call of the Sufi by Gay Spirit speaking to Gay Spirit

FAERIE LORE

FAERIE hiss when they are happy

FAERIE are blue when they are very good

FAERIES are mostly vegetarians, making love in their gardens

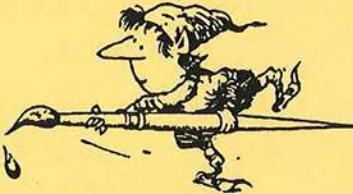
FAERIES commune regularly with the Delvic world and commune with animals and plants



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and Nipple Nibblers who put this trash out:
SHADOW, RHINO, FUKU, GILLIAN

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correspond with the 'Turn of the Wheel' by
THE ONES WILLING TO WORK,
a fabulous flutter of Radical Faeries known locally as
SACRED FAERIE CIRCLE OF SALT LAKE CITY
and BEYOND!



Help!!!

- Do any of our dear faeries have some publishing design skills? We need some volunteered help in creating the most faaaaabulous "rag" yet.
- Drop *Salt and Sage* a line

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Faerie Business & Bull Shit

BLESSSED BE ALL FIRM AND GENTLE FAERIE FOLKS! A major faerie update is in order, don'tcha think? Well dear tits, here's the scoop since the CANDLEMAS issue way way back in the Horny Moon of February.

The new Spring season began with Easter. With this new year, Rhino and Fuku cast the second Butterfly spread (Native American Medicine Cards) to help guide us lovely faeries through the next 4 years. 1st year: Bat (rebirth). 2nd year: Moose (self-esteem). 3rd year: Weasel (invisibility). 4th year: Deer (gentleness).

So queers...what could we do on Easter (a time of rebirthing) but to shift our focus...to that of emphasizing our dearly queerly beloved Horned One! and our masculine aspects. Yes, yes do not fret...the goddess will always be honoured! The main rebirth ritual involved the egg (clever are us!), symbolizing breaking from old habits, opening up new possibilities, and giving us the support (shell) to move into the future. Our pledges were then sealed with an inspired omelette.

The Merry New Moon was celebrated with the Spiritual Pathways face painting extravaganza, holy condom blessing (courtesy of the Circle Cithaeron), deep discussions of gay adult male rite(s) of passage, and of the ever-probing question: is it okay with you that you're gay? Then we all pigged-out and binged on snacks, liquids, and a raw video. A merry time was had by all.

MAY DAY! MAY DAY! Yes, the Potent Few experienced BELTANE with the QuickBean Circle up MillCreek Canyon. Animals, singing, the Maypole dance (a very phallic top, indeed), food, fun, and frolic were on the agenda. BuffaloGal-StarChild, a virginal leaper...that's leaper you wag!...was considered Thee Most Aerobic Fire-Leaper. He displayed such style and grace as he glided over the bonfire.

Over at the expansive lawn of grand SilverFox, the Faeries conducted thee Magick New Moon gathering. The main focus was digging deeper into our Medicine Card totem(s). The discussions confirmed the power of these totem animals and the lessons they impart to our greater understanding of ourselves and our future directions. It was DAMN HEAVY, MAN!

So dear faeries...consider yourself informed. Lookout for what's cuming up!

--Fuku (etc.) Periwinkle...your media contact troll and hystorian.



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Letters To The Editor

Hello, I heard about you through R.F.D. in Liberty, TN. Don't really know what you do? Was hoping you could put me in touch with some gay pen-pals in Utah?

I'm in need of correspondence, new friends, possible visits, even a life mate.

I have no family, I'm from Oklahoma. An inmate since 1983 for a theft. I terminate 6-16-94.

If you're willing to help me, I will send you my photo, & a letter introducing myself in more detail.

I also have friends in & out who's seeking someone as well. Hoping to hear from you.

Sincerely,
Ken Canfield #16405
Unit #3 6-11-B
U.S.P. P.O. Box 250
Draper, UT 84020

Love your zine! Anybody
heading east?
Love, Bluejay of Ganowungo

(Great Lakes Faeries 7th Annual Ganowungo Gathering July 16-17-18-19, 1993. This is a camp-out for gay men held on 25 acres of private land in the Chautauqua Gorge of westernmost N.Y. state. Bring drinking water, vegetarian food, candles and camping gear to share 4 days of faerie magic in a gentle wilderness. Please note that alcohol, drugs, meat and compulsive sex orgies will not be the central focus of the gathering. Make the faerie circle a place of perfect love, perfect trust & perfect freedom!) Directions: contact Fuku or write to Jay/ 121 Union/ Westfield, N.Y. 14787.

We just heard from the Washington, D.C. Circle Cithaeron. They just put out an occasional newsletter entitled MOONWEB. Their aim is to provide a sense of ritual community for those who work solitary, or who simply enjoy seeing rituals from other traditions and perspectives. No. 5 Issue contains a spring vision visualization, a healing fire ritual, and a condom blessing.

Send as many first class stamps as you would like to receive future mailings.

MOONWEB/ Circle Cithaeron/ POB 15461/ Washington, DC 20003.

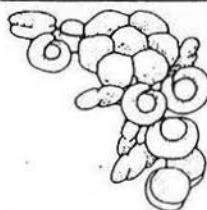
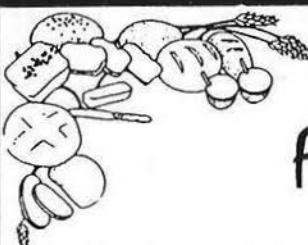
Dear Friends,

We are two guys recently moved to Idaho who read RFD and feel a little isolated. We want to connect with other gay men who are on spiritual quests, who care about the environment, who reject many of the restrictions the larger society puts on us, who value diversity and freedom, and who are interested in the Faeries and Men's movement.

Art Dodson/ 1905 Industrial Road/ Nampa, ID 83687-6716.

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Try this delightfully difference Salsa for your You South of the Border taste buds.

Its easy to make and soooo good! Yum!Yum!

MATZALAN SALSA

Peel and core 1 small pineapple

Cut into 1/2 inch bits.

Split and seed 2 fresh jalapeno peppers under cold water

Finely chop peppers

Peel 1/2 inch piece of fresh ginger and mince

(the ginger not you)

chop the green stems of 6 to 8 green onions

Chop 1/2 cup fresh cilantro leaves

Mix all of the above

In separate bowl combine

2 to 3 tablespoons of fresh lime juice

2 tablespoons of brown sugar

Add to pineapple mixture and blend well.

Salt and White pepper to taste

Chill two hours before serving.

Salt and White pepper to taste

This is great to serve with any Mexican Meal

Bone-Up-Your-Tits

Gayflower



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Radical Forum

In the Summer of 1989, I returned from Greenwich Village to Salt Lake City, after having placed a rose at the Holy Shrine of Stonewall and after worshipping at the altar of Judy Garland. I came back to the Crossroads of the West determined to share the Faerie Dust that had fallen upon me in New York City with the homeboy fags of Utah. Visions of whirling Faeries in the heartland of Mormondom danced in my head and I couldn't wait to break out the tie-die and cast a circle. The Sacred Faeries were thus created out of that desire, and certainly that was Magick.

I sounded the mystic drum of Gay Spiritness and the Faeries came. Cast a circle and Faeries do come. But as with all things transcendental, the Rainbow shines and then it fades. My journey in discovering my Gay Spirit is now about to take me on another path. So it is time for me to say FARE THEE WELL MY FAIRY FEY. Fare Thee Well all my Faerie brothers and sisters with whom I danced around the sacred fire. It was a gas. As with all living things, it is time for me to go forward to my next evolutionary step.

I love you all and will keep you posted. May our paths criss-cross for all time and eternity.

--GAYFLOWER

Midsummer

SUMMER SOLSTICE Sacred Lore For Faeries In The Know

The wheel turneth. Midsummer marks the time of Fire and the great turning point in the sun's course when, after climbing higher and higher day by day, it reaches the northernmost part of the northern sky. At the highest point along its ecliptic, the sun stands still for a time and on this, the longest day of the year, light reigns triumphant.

At midsummer we celebrate the cumming of the Sun King who, born at midwinter, has grown to full manhood. He embraces the Queen of Summer in a fiery passion that is all-consuming. In the heat of desire, the marriage of the Sun King and the Queen of Summer is consummated. The promise of the coming of the light and the celebration of life has attained fruition. His virtue expended, the God of light lies in repose. Thenceforth begins the sun's long descent as the Sun King journeys onward toward that time of darkness which is death and the mystery of rebirth.

On midsummer's eve, we light the Fire of Heaven in honor of the Summerqueen. We sacrifice the Sun King upon the flames to celebrate the gods' holy union. We turn the wheel and share their fate.

The altar is decorated with roses and assorted wildflowers. Faeries and guests may wear garlands of mugwort, vervain and larkspur, as well as fiery colors of yellow, gold, orange and red.

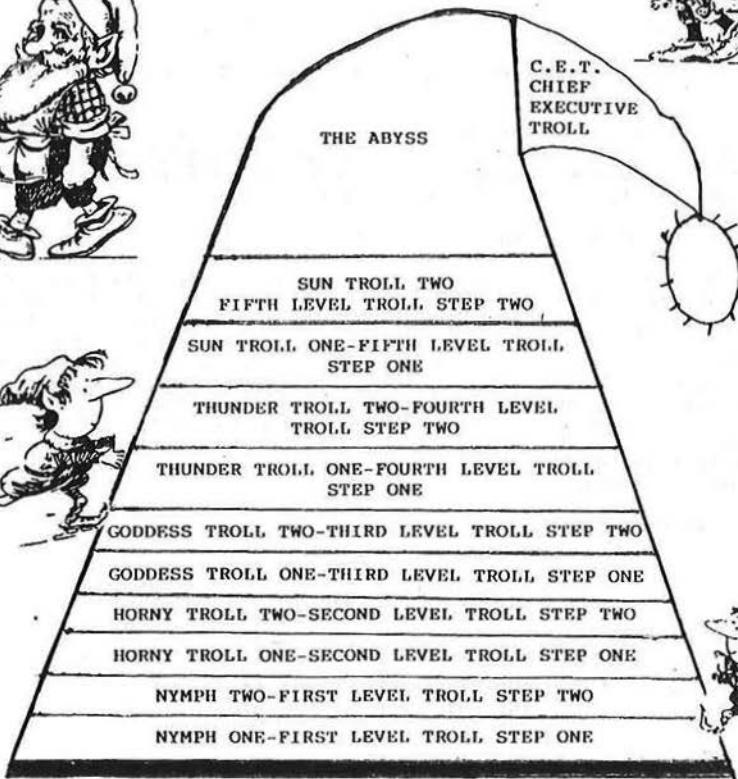
Three traditional features of the midsummer festival include: The bonfires, often in threes, which are lit at the top of a rise or hillside, and fueled by fragrant wood and flower. Torches are lit from the fires and carried round in procession through the fields. The burning wheel is trundled down from the top of the hill into running water.

Leaping thrice over the flames of the fires is assured to rid one of all misfortune. The cold ashes and embers retrieved from the hearth have mystical virtue which will confer the greatest of fortunes to the self and home.

--SHADOW

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Faerie Order



GLOSSARY

PIXIE-COMES TO OPEN FAERIE GATHERINGS WITHOUT HAVING CARDS READ
FAERIE-CARDS READ, COMES MORE OR LESS REGULARLY TO GATHERINGS
T.I.T./TROLL IN TRAINING-FAERIE WHO HAS REQUESTED TO BECOME A
TROLL OR PILLAR
TROLL/PILLAR-BEEN THROUGH A TURN OF THE WHEEL. TRAINED BY A
TROLL. HAS BECOME AT LEAST A NYMPH TROLL.

HOW TO CLIMB THE FAERIE CAP

(NOTE: NONE OF THIS IS TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY. WE'RE NOT THAT
ORGANIZED.)

TO RISE ONE STEP, DO A TURN OF THE WHEEL ALONE AS A TROLL OR
HELP PUT OUT A COUPLE OF ISSUES OF THE SALT AND SAGE.
TO RISE A FULL LEVEL, TRAIN A T.I.T. FOR ONE TURN OF THE WHEEL.

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Horned One Corner

This section is dedicated to honoring the Horned One and dispersing lore, commentary, whimsy, and articles on being and celebrating maleness.

SNAKE VISION

The following is a vision experienced during a Native American drumming circle.

In the vision I went into my safe meadow to meet and talk to my totem animals. The purpose to this circle was to find the animal and ask it do its dance. I went to my safe place which is a meadow surrounded by trees, rocks, tall grass is growing. There are mountains in the distance.

As I walked along the path I met a snake and asked it to do its dance for me. The snake agreed and asked me to sit down. I sat and the snake crawled into my mouth and settled in my stomach. As I walked along with the snake inside of me, a naked man appeared. I took off my clothes. Without saying a word, we kissed. As our lips touched so did our penises. Snake crawled up through my throat, out my mouth and into his mouth. Snake traveled down his throat, through his body and out the naked man's penis. The snake entered my penis and traveled this circle creating an unbroken connection. When the dance was over, the snake settled back into my stomach and traveled back to this existence with me. I awakened in the group and was asked to perform the dance of the snake since no one could imagine how a snake could dance. I nervously declined.

Rhino Horn Nectar Nipples.

PURPLE GOD/QUEER GOD

Purple God, Queer God
Open hearts and passions flame
Purple God, Queer God
Come we call your holy name.

Purple God, Queer God
You light the spark, you fan the fire
Purple God, Queer God
Steep our senses in desire.

Purple God, Queer God
Come with us where'er we roam,
Purple God, Queer God
Guide us to our lovely home

(repeat as often as desired)

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BLESSING ON THE PENIS

Suggested and Inspired by Shadow
Written by Rhino

This is a blessing to make masturbation a ritual of celebration.
While facing north with your altar adorned with whatever male symbols
that have meaning for you.

Personally I recommend wearing some kind of masculine clothing:
leather, cowboy, uniform, whatever your in to.

Anoint your penis with oil and repeat the following:

Oh Horned One-hear my blessing
Here is my penis, my shaft, my joy stick, my sacred extension.
I give thanks for this gift of hardness and masculinity.

I promise to treat my phallus with love and respect.
I promise to share it with those whom I care about.
I promise to protect it and others with condoms.
I promise to enjoy the pleasures of penis.
I promise to enrich my life and bring joy to others.

It is my constant friend and companion and giver of semen
Horned One-Bless this sacred tool to make it ever hard and flow
with abundant sperm.

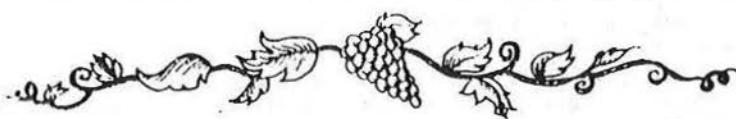
As I stroke it now with this anointing oil, I give my seed as an
offering to manhood to honor myself, my masculinity, to celebrate
the joy of being a man.

Horned one here is my offering.



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Goddess Lore



CHARGE OF THE GODDESS

Whenever ye have need of anything, once in the month, and better it be when the moon is full, then shall ye assemble in some secret place, and adore the spirit of me, who am Queen of all witches.

There shall ye assemble, ye who are fain to learn all sorcery, yet have not won its deepest secrets; to these will I teach things that are as yet unknown.

And ye shall be free from slavery, and as a sign that ye be really free, ye shall be naked in your rites, and ye shall dance, sing, feast, make music and love, all in my praise. For mine is the ecstasy of the spirit, and mine also is joy on earth; for my law is love unto all beings.

Keep pure your highest ideal; strive ever towards it, let naught stop you or turn you aside; for mine is the secret door which opens upon the door of youth, and mine is the cup of the wine of life, and the cauldron of Cerridwen, which is the Holy Grail of immortality.

I am the gracious Goddess, who gives the gift of joy unto the heart of man. Upon earth, I give the knowledge of the spirit eternal; and beyond death, I give peace, and freedom, and reunion with those who have gone before.

Nor do I demand sacrifice; for behold, I am the Mother of all living, and my love is poured upon the earth.

And thou, who thinkest to seek for me, know they seeking and yearning will avail thee not unless thou know the mystery: that if that which thou seekest findest not within thee, thou wilt never find it without thee. For behold, I have been with thee from the beginning; and I am that which is attained at the end of desire.

--The Book of Shadows



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Songs Of The Soul

RAINBOW CONNECTION

Why are there so many Songs about rainbows
And what's on the other side
Rainbows are visions But only illusions
Rainbows have nothing to hide
So we've been told And some chose to believe it
I know they're wrong wait and see
Someday we'll find it The Rainbow Connection
The Lovers, the dreamers, and me
Who said that ev'ry wish Would be heard and answered
When wished upon the morning star
Somebody thought of that And someone believed it
Look what its done so far
What's so amazing that keeps us star gazing
And what do you thing we might see
Someday we'll find it The Rainbow Connection
The Lovers, the dreamers, and me
Have you been half asleep And have you heard voices
I've heard them calling my name
Is this the sweet sound That calls the young sailors
The voice might be one and the same
I've heard it too many times to ignore it
It's something that I'm supposed to be
Someday we'll find it The Rainbow connection
The Lovers The dreamers and me

PAUL WILLIAMS & KENNY ASCHER

Your Personal Horoscope



CANCER JUNE 23 - JULY 23

The crabby fairie is generally likable when not occupied with pinching pennies or nit picking. If you were born under the sign of the pack rat, now may be a good time to organize some of that junk in your basement.

LEO JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

The fairie king of vanity is usually to be found napping this time of year. It seems the summer sun makes him just plain lazier than usual. If you were born under the sign of self indulgence, now may be a good time to get off your lazy ass and dust those mirrors.

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Rituals

Calling the Directions

Ho! East, South, West, North

Here I come to call ye forth

Attend ye here with joy and mirth

Air and Fire, Water & Earth!



Closing the Circle

Everyone Repeat:

The Circle is open,
but unbroken

May the Peace of the Goddess

Go in your hearts

Merry meet

And merry part

And merry meet again

Blessed be.



A kiss is then passed around the circle before the circle is closed.

empty headed

sit in a chair
or on the floor
close your eyes and
make your mind a blank
or picture a blank
screen
in your mind's eye
now for 5 to 15 minutes
concentrate on keeping
your mind free
of thoughts and images
except for the blank
screen
each time you catch
yourself think/dreaming
clear your head
and bring it back
to emptiness

candle meditation

sit in a chair
or on the floor
place a lighted candle
3 feet from you
and for 2 minutes
look directly into
the flame
if your mind wanders
bring it back
to the flame
see its height
watch it dancing
movement
see all of the colors
within the flame
when the 2 minutes
are over
close your eyes
and place the palms
of your hands over
your eyes
and see the after image
of the flame
in your mind's eye
concentrate on
that image
if it disappears
or your mind wanders
bring it back
after 2 minutes
open your eyes
and repeat
this sequence
1 or 2 more times

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"You must not change one thing, one pebble, one grain of sand, until you know what good and evil will follow on that act. The world is in balance, in Equilibrium. A Wizard's power of changing and summoning can shake the balance of the world. It is dangerous, that power. It is most perilous. It must follow knowledge and serve need. To light a candle is to cast a shadow."

--The Wizard of Earthsea

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Faerie Moons

1993 MOONS:



06/21	MIDSUMMER
07/03	WARM FULL MOON
07/19	DRAGONFIRE NEW MOON
08/01	LAMMAS
08/02	DRAGONFIRE FULL MOON
08/17	BLUE NEW MOON
08/31	BLUE FULL MOON
09/15	HARVEST NEW MOON
09/22	MICHAELMAS
09/30	HARVEST FULL MOON
10/15	HONEY NEW MOON
10/30	HONEY FULL MOON
11/13	DARK NEW MOON
11/28	DARK FULL MOON
12/13	WOLF NEW MOON
12/21	YULE
12/28	WOLF FULL MOON



Calendar

EVERY SATURDAY EVENING: DRUMMING CIRCLE. 7:30 p.m.
New Pathways. 966-8352.

06/25-27: SUMMER SOLSTICE FAERIE EXTRAVAGANZA. Diamond Fork
Hot Springs locale. Contact Sioshfhradha at 596-8408
or the Faerie Hotline at 359-6183.

07/03: WARM FULL MOON

07/10: OBON FESTIVAL. Buddhist Church, SLC.

07/10-17: SPRINGVILLE WORLD FOLKFEST. Call 4892726.

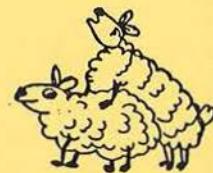
07/17-24: ZEN RETREAT. Wasatch Zen Center.
Register at 328-8414.

07/18: DRAGONFIRE NEW MOON.

07/30-31 & 08/01: LAMMAS & DRAGONFIRE FULL MOON.

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